



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Anupama K. Nadkarni and
Joshua Trueheart

U.S. Serial No.: 09/362,286

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For: "Expression of G Protein-Coupled Receptors
with Altered Ligand Binding and/or Coupling
Properties"

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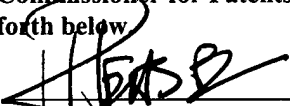
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated June 12, 2002 (Paper No. 19). A separate petition for a three-month extension of time to respond and the appropriate fee based on large entity status are being submitted concurrently herewith.